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AMERICAN FORCES READY TO PROTECT AMERICAN BORDER

DECISIVE BATTLE EXPECTED
TO START AT AGUA
PRIETA MONDAY

MUST NOT FIRE
ACROSS BORDER

General France Says Villa Has
18,000 Men and 60 Guns and
is Confident of Victory.

Douglas, Ariz., Oct. 30.—Brigadier General Thomas F. Davis declared tonight that the three thousand men in his command, comprising the Sixth United States Infantry Brigade, are ready to interfere if the attack on Agua Prieta should result in shooting into American territory. General Davis has issued instructions for Americans to keep within their doors. The American force established itself in trenches close to the border today.

Villa's advance guard, under Colonel Thomas France, arrived at San Bernardino, twenty miles east of the border, today. He said Villa would arrive tomorrow, indicating that the attack on the Carranza forces at Agua Prieta will probably take place Monday. The first train of reinforcements for General Calles, the Carranza commander, has arrived here via Laredo. Other trains are expected tomorrow.

Colonel France said Villa had eighteen thousand men and sixty guns. Report indicated his army is short of food, but is confident of taking Agua Prieta. Previous reports said Villa had seven thousand men and twenty-eight guns.

Besides three thousand infantry General Davis has a regiment of cavalry and four batteries of field artillery. The disposition of these troops was not disclosed.

Douglas, Ariz., Oct. 30.—Niggerhead a black bullet faintly resembling a negro's head, nine miles east of here claimed attention as marking the mountain pass through which Villa expected to come tonight or tomorrow with eight thousand men to attack the Carranza garrison at Agua Prieta opposite here. Villa is reported to have twenty-eight field guns. Opposing him, General Calles has about thirty-seven hundred troops, ten pieces of artillery, and between thirty and fifty machine guns. Unless the reinforcements coming over American railroads via Eagle pass arrive tonight they will probably be too late for the start of the battle. Villa's army today reached Callarados, a ranch eighteen miles to the southeast just over the Chiricahua mountains. Villa is expected to attack tomorrow. Through of sightseers are here.

INVESTIGATE ALLEGED CHINESE SMUGGLERS

Officers of Liner Mongolia and
Immigration Officers Have
Seen Subpoenaed.

San Francisco, Oct. 30.—An investigation of the alleged Chinese smuggling ring, brought to light through the seizure of eighty-six Chinese stowaways on the Pacific Mail liner, Mongolia, recently, will be undertaken by the United States Customs Service. Forty subpoenas have been issued for the ship's officers and immigration officials.

NEW FRENCH CABINET HOLDS FIRST MEETING

London, Oct. 30.—The first formal meeting of the new cabinet for the exchange of views on the diplomatic and military situation took place. Premier Briand, first president of the cabinet, presided. The meeting will be held Monday to decide on the terms of the ministerial declaration to parliament, which will be submitted to President Poincaré Tuesday.

United Press Bureau.
Louisville, Oct. 30.—When Hans, formerly a National League member, later of the American Association and Federal League, died suddenly of heart disease at a hotel here today.

U. S. OFFICIALS WILL NOT HURRY TRIAL OF FAY

WILL FIRST MAKE MINUTE
INQUIRY INTO MEN'S
ACTIVITIES

WANT TO FIND
MEN HIGHER UP

To Determine Whether Confessed
Plotter Acted On His
Own Responsibility.

New York, Oct. 30.—The United States will not hasten the prosecution of Robert Fay, the confessed German bomb plotter, and four other men charged with conspiracy to blow up steamers bearing arms to the allies, said United States District Attorney H. Snowden Marshall, who is in charge of the cases, today. Fay's activities will be subjected to a minute inquiry to determine whether he acted on his own responsibility. So far the evidence in hand shows, Marshall said, Fay acted on his own responsibility.

New York, Oct. 30.—Charles Warren, assistant United States attorney general, came here today to confer with United States Attorney J. Owen Marshall, concerning the course which the department of justice will take in regard to Lieut. Robert Fay and others, arrested here in an alleged plot to wreck munition steamers and American munition plants. It is understood that Warren was entrusted with a collection of information concerning efforts to burn or blow up steamers leaving American ports with munitions for the allies. The conference is expected to decide whether the alleged conspirators will be tried in the United States courts or in the state courts. They were arrested on federal warrants but New Jersey state warrants were also issued.

MILITIA TO SUPPORT DEFENSE PROGRAM

Agreement Reached After Two
Days Conference With Sec-
retary Garrison.

Washington, Oct. 30.—The National Guard support for the administration's defense plan was virtually assured today at the conclusion of a two days conference between Secretary Garrison and members of the executive committee of the National Guard association and National Militia board. Opposition to the continental army scheme, which developed estridency, has been subdued but the guardsmen will advocate an increased appropriation for the militia.

General Foster, of the Florida National Guard and chairman of the executive committee, in a statement issued today said the committee's report, which will be presented to the convention of the National Guard Association in November, will outline the general policy proposed by the administration. A bill providing federal compensation for militia service will also be recommended.

Washington, Oct. 30.—The conference between the executive committee of the national guard association and national militia board to consider the administration's army defense program was continued. Advancements were given by Secretary Garrison to the committee, some of whom opposed the creation of a continental army that no improvement of the organized militia was contemplated, which the war department officials to hope for an early agreement.

French Report More Success.
Paris, Oct. 30.—The war office announced today that French progress last night at Boze Knanpache and the repulse of a German attack this morning near Souchez.

German Lieutenant and Bombs for American Liners.



Dr. Herbert Klenzle, also arrested.

Lieutenant Robert Fay, the chief conspirator.

This is a new photograph of Robert Fay, who says he is a German lieutenant, and who is now in jail in New York, held in bonds of \$25,000 on the charge of preparing bombs to blow up lines carrying munitions

of war to the allies. Dr. Herbert Klenzle, who has lived in the United States for three years, is also held. Secret service men say he bargained for the T. N. T., the highest explosive made, for the bombs Fay and

Walter L. Scholz, his brother-in-law, were manufacturing in New Jersey. The bomb on the left was about three feet and four inches long. It was meant to fasten to the propeller shafts of steamships. The motion was to explode them at sea.

BREWERS INDICTED ON CONSPIRACY CHARGE

Charged With Conspiring to
Commit Felony in Recent
Liquor Elections.

Sullivan, Indiana, Oct. 30.—Thirty men, including brewing company officials and a justice of peace, were indicted here today charged with conspiracy to commit felony in the recent wet and dry election. The Terre Haute Brewery, the F. W. Cook Brewery, Evansville and Anheuser-Busch Breweries were indicted separately charged with corruption in connection with the election.

ROMANIA'S ATTITUDE IS CLOSELY WATCHED BY GREEKS

Athens, Oct. 30.—The favorable attitude which Rumania is reported to have adopted toward the entente allies is attracting the close attention of the Greek government and general staff. The definite outcome of the negotiations at the allies at Bucharest is awaited anxiously.

Big Fire in Nello.
Bridport, Maine, Oct. 30.—There was a \$150,000 loss in a fire in the store house of Federal Manufacturing Company which destroyed several thousand cases of cotton and much of the finished product. One fireman was badly hurt.

REPORTED ALLIES TO RETIRE FROM SALONIKI

Athens Dispatch Says Gen. Hamilton Has Informed Prince Nicholas of Intentions.

Berlin, Oct. 30.—The Overseas agency issued an Athens dispatch saying that entente troops have begun retreating from Saloniki. The dispatch declares that General Hamilton, commanding the British force, has informed Prince Nicholas of Greece of the retirement and the Prince has ordered the Greeks to help the movement.

EXECUTE NINE MORE IN BELGIUM

Ten Others Sentenced to Prison
—All Were Convicted of
Espionage.

London, Oct. 30.—That nine persons, convicted of espionage in Belgium were executed yesterday reported officially to Berlin to an American dispatch. Ten others, including three women, were sentenced to prison.

SUSPENDS RATES ON PANAMA RAILROAD

Secretary Garrison Takes Action
to Avoid Embarrassment
of Steamship Lines.

Washington, Oct. 30.—Secretary Garrison temporarily suspended today classified freight rates on the Panama railroad, which the steamship companies claimed would force them to abandon service between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, until the canal is re-opened. The new flat rate of three dollars a ton, fixed when the canal was closed recently will remain in effect until Garrison can investigate the subject.

Morgan Resting Well.
New York, Oct. 30.—A bulletin issued at nine tonight by the attending physicians said J. P. Morgan's condition was satisfactory after the operation for appendicitis.

Morgan Resting Well.
New York, Oct. 30.—Morgan spent a restful night following the appendicitis operation, physicians said. His condition is satisfactory.

To Salute Flag.
Terra Haute, Oct. 30.—Terra Haute policemen and firemen have been ordered to salute the American flag. The rule goes into effect today.

TURKISH WARSHIPS ATTACK RUSSIAN BLACK SEA FLEET

TORPEDO SUNK THE HESPERIAN SAYS U. S. BOARD

BOARD OF INQUIRY DEFINITELY
DETERMINE CAUSE
OF SINKING

U. S. TO TAKE NO
FURTHER ACTION

No Representations to Germany
Unless Finder of Missile
Makes Sworn Statement.

Washington, Oct. 30.—The report of the navy board that the fragment metal forwarded from London as evidence in the Hesperian case, was part of a torpedo, will not be made the basis for American representations to Germany unless the sworn statement of the finder of the fragment is secured. The report will, however, be sent to Berlin.

Germany has maintained consistently that the Hesperian was not sunk by a German submarine, and Washington will send no note until the evidence is complete.

Washington, Oct. 30.—Secretary Lansing announced that the navy department indicated fragment of the engine of war which sank the Allan liner Hesperian was part of a torpedo. The German government has persistently denied that the Hesperian was torpedoed. In the opinion of United States navy experts the fragments could not have been part of a marine mine. The secretary said the result of the navy department investigation would immediately be communicated to the German government directly, or to Ambassador Bernstorff.

The state department has been in doubt regarding the direct cause of the sinking of the Hesperian. A number of affidavits by passengers and officers of the ship were made in which the signers swore the ship was torpedoed. The fragment of metal was sent as proof of the statement in the affidavits. The United States position has been to take no steps to question the good faith of the German utterances, unless it is shown clearly the sinking was in violation of them. President Wilson and Secretary Lansing have been reluctant to believe the Hesperian was sunk deliberately without a valid excuse.

Secretary Lansing volunteered no information as to what form the communication to Germany would take. Germany made the United States a qualified disclaimer of responsibility for sinking the Hesperian, in a note to Ambassador Gerard September 14. The foreign office said on the face of the evidence at hand, Germany would not send a note that the Hesperian was sunk by a German submarine. The fragment of metal examined by the navy department experts was said to have been picked up from the deck of the Hesperian after the explosion. The Hesperian sank early in September off the Irish coast while making her way to port after being disabled by an explosion. The fragment was of polished steel and about five inches long. It was sent to the state department by the American embassy at London.

DAWDIN GENERAL MANAGER CENTRAL OF GEORGIA

Savannah, Oct. 30.—L. W. Baldwin, general superintendent of the Southern lines of the Illinois Central, at New Orleans, has been appointed general manager of the Central of Georgia railway, succeeding the late T. S. Molso.

Peabody Honors Fire Victims

Peabody, Oct. 30.—Every citizen and store in this busy town closed this morning to pay tribute to the twenty-one little girls who perished in the St. John's parochial school fire. Eighteen will be buried at a public funeral and three privately.

Russian Sail for Bulgaria.
Copenhagen, Oct. 30.—Large contingents of Russian troops have set sail from the Black Sea ports of Odessa and Sebastopol for the Bulgarian coast, the Berner Tagblatt says.

BIG NAVAL ENGAGEMENT
UNOFFICIALLY REPORTED
IN PROGRESS

DENY ALLIES ARE
LEAVING SALONIKI

Dispatches From Grecian Port
Declare Concentration of En-
tente Troops Continues.

London, Oct. 30.—Almost coincident with the report that the report that the Russians are sending troops across the Black Sea to attack Bulgaria comes the unofficial statement that three Turkish warships have attacked the Russian squadron, composed of three battleships, several cruisers and destroyers in these waters. A Bucharest dispatch to Berlin says the former German cruisers, Breslau and Goeben, now Turkish men-of-war are engaged.

While Saloniki dispatches report that the concentration of entente troops to relieve the pressure on Serbia continues, Berlin claims that the allies are retreating from Saloniki and that Constantine of Greece arrived at Saloniki today and developments there are being watched closely.

The general German and Bulgarian crushing movement on Serbia from three sides is proceeding, but the French report advances in the region of Strumitsa.

Along the Drina river the Austrian forces attacked the Montenegrin positions. The Bulgarians are said to be said to be preparing special trains to transport German troops through Thrace to Constantinople. War munitions have already been despatched to Turkish capital.

Petrograd reports the Austro-Germans evacuating Volhynia, leaving ammunition and supplies. The Germans, after crossing the Misa river in the region of Riga, admit retirement at Palaken, eleven miles south of the Baltic port.

General von Linsingen claims the capture of a thousand Russian prisoners in Galicia.

While Berlin says the western front situation is unchanged the French claim the repulse of violent German counter-attacks in their efforts to recapture positions near Lacourne in Champagne. The French report the gain of trenches at Boisenhache in Artois.

The sinking of the British mine sweeper Hythe with a probable loss of a hundred and fifty-five lives off Gallipoli is announced.

London, Oct. 30.—The position of Serbia is becoming more desperate daily. Nish is threatened by the Bulgarians, while the Austrians and Germans are gradually opening a way toward the great Serbian arsenal at Kraguevatz. Rome reports that the Serbia capital has been removed to a certain point. According to the latest official report from Sofia, the Serbians are in retreat in a westerly direction all along the Bulgarian front. Unofficial dispatches state that a Bulgarian officer commanding an advance patrol has joined with the Austro-German staff. The Bulgarians assert they are in possession of Negotin Brza, Palanka, Zajecar, Knjaevats and several Timok valley villages. This gives them a strategic position of primary importance. The complete capture of Pirot is not claimed by the Serbia war office, which says that Bulgarian troops storming the southern fortifications penetrated the town when night put an end to the fighting.

With the exception of an unofficial report that the French are now firmly in possession of Strumitsa, no news has been received concerning the military movements of the allies in the Balkans.

Russian sources admit that the sea ports recently bombarded suffered severely. A Bucharest dispatch says that Russian troops had set sail from Odessa and Sebastopol for the Bulgarian coast.

Fighting along the other fronts is reported as severe with no decisive results.

An important struggle is progressing along the Austro-Italian front. Vienna reports the Italian attacks were repulsed after a sanguinary struggle.

The French cabinet change is finding an echo in the discussion of the advisability creating a British war council to consist of the premier, war secretary and first lord of the admiralty, to have the supreme direction of the war.